21st Theater Support Command

Labor Day Weekend Safety





- 1. Labor Day, the last Holiday during the summer season, will be observed on Monday, 6 September 2004 and Friday, 3 September 2004 has been designated a USAREUR Training Holiday. Labor Day is a creation of the labor movement, is dedicated to the achievements of American workers, and is a national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country. Traditionally this weekend is heavily used for traveling and outdoor fun.
- 2. We cannot afford to let our safety guard down. Ensure all personnel are briefed on defensive driving, the use of seat belts, drinking and driving, barbecue grill safety, hot weather injuries, and water safety.
- 3. Again, no passes or leaves will be granted to soldiers unless they have received a safety briefing from the unit leaders at the company / platoon level. Meetings "under the oak tree" with their squad-level / first-line NCO are mandatory. Junior leaders must discuss leave plans with their soldiers, agree on specific measures to ensure the soldiers' safe return, and jointly assess risks until both of them are satisfied with the contract.
- 4. Do everything possible to ensure our soldiers and civilian employees return to their duties alive and well after safely enjoying this last summer holiday weekend.
- 5. "Be Safe" and have fun!

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